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ABSTRACT:

The present invention relates to novel genes from S. aureus and the polypeptides they encode. Also provided as are vectors, host cells, antibodies and recombinant methods for producing the same. The invention further relates to screening methods for identifying agonists and antagonists of S. aureus polypeptide activity. The invention additionally relates to diagnostic methods for detecting Staphylococcus nucleic acids, polypeptides and antibodies in a biological sample. The present invention further relates to novel vaccines for the prevention or attenuation of infection by Staphylococcus.

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

[0001] The present application is a continuation of and claims priority under 35 U.S.C. .sctn. 120 to U.S. patent application Ser. No. 10/084,205, filed Feb. 28, 2002, which is a continuation-in-part of and claims priority under 35 U.S.C. .sctn. 120 to International Application No. PCT/US00/23773, filed Aug. 31, 2000 (published by the International Bureau in the English language on Mar. 8, 2001 as International Publication No. WO 01/16292A2), which claims benefit under 35 U.S.C. .sctn. 119(e) to U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/151,933, filed Sep. 1, 1999, each of which is hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety.

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TITLE: DIRECT ADSORPTION SCINTILLATION ASSAY FOR MEASURING ENZYME ACTIVITY AND ASSAYING BIOCHEMICAL PROCESSES

CLAIMS:

What is claimed is:

- 1) A method for analyzing a sample comprising: a) providing a sample containing one or more molecular species, wherein at least one of the molecular species is capable of stimulating scintillation; b) providing a scintillating material, wherein the surface of the scintillating material adsorbs at least one of the molecular species via a general molecular property-based binding interaction between the molecular species and the scintillating material, and where the scintillating material can be stimulated to scintillate by at least one of the adsorbed molecular species, but is generally not stimulated to scintillate by any molecular species which is not adsorbed; c) measuring the scintillation emitted by the scintillating material.
- 2) The method of claim 1, wherein the number of molecular species provided is at least two, and where at least one of said molecular species has a presence of, an absence of, or a degree of general molecular property-based binding interaction with the scintillating material distinct from the remainder of the molecular species.
- 3) The method of claim 1, wherein the general molecular property-based binding interaction is selected from the group consisting of charge-charge interactions, dipole-charge interactions, dipole-dipole interactions and hydrophobic interactions.
- 4) The method of claim 2, wherein the presence of, the absence of, or the degree of general molecular property-based binding interaction with the scintillating material is due to a chemical or biochemical transformation of one of said molecular species into another of said molecular species, further comprising the step of determining the progress of or degree of completion of the molecular transformation.
- 5) The method of claim 1, wherein the scintillating material is selected from the group consisting of scintillating plastics and scintillating glasses.
- 6) The method of claim 1, wherein the scintillating material is a plastic doped with with a scintillant.
- 7) The method of claim 5, wherein the scintillating plastic is selected from the group consisting of polystyrene doped with at least one scintillating fluor and polyvinyltoluene doped with at least one scintillating fluor.
- 8) The method of claim 2, wherein at least one of the at least two molecular species provided is a substrate for an enzyme-catalyzed reaction or a series of enzyme-catalyzed reactions, another of the at least two molecular species is a

product of the enzyme-catalyzed reaction or series of enzyme-catalyzed reactions and has a presence of, absence of, or degree of general molecular property-based binding affinity for the scintillating material distinct from that of the substrate, substrate, and where the difference in general molecular property-based binding affinity is a result of the enzyme-catalyzed reaction or series of enzyme-catalyzed reactions.

9) The method of claim 8, wherein the general molecular property-based binding affinity is due to the presence of positive charge, the absence of positive charge, the presence of negative charge, the absence of negative charge, the presence of a dipole moment, the absence of a dipole moment, the presence of hydrophobicity, or the absence of hydrophobicity.

10) The method of claim 8, wherein the enzyme catalyzed reaction is selected from the group consisting of kinase catalyzed reactions, lipase catalyzed reactions, phosphatase catalyzed reactions, protease catalyzed reactions, and tRNA transferase catalyzed reactions.

11) The method of claim 8, wherein the enzyme catalyzed reaction is selected from the group consisting of the reaction cascade or any portion thereof for the sequential synthesis of uridinediphosphate-N-acetylmuramic acid pentapeptide catalyzed by the enzymes MurA, MurB, MurC, MurD, MurE, and MurF.

12) The method of claim 8, wherein the enzyme catalyzed reaction is that catalyzed by MurA.

13) The method of claim 8, wherein the enzyme catalyzed reaction is that catalyzed by MurB.

14) The method of claim 8, wherein the enzyme catalyzed reaction is that catalyzed by MurC.

15) The method of claim 8, wherein the enzyme catalyzed reaction is that catalyzed by MurD.

16) The method of claim 8, wherein the enzyme catalyzed reaction is that catalyzed by MurE.

17) The method of claim 8, wherein the enzyme catalyzed reaction is that catalyzed by MurF.

18) The method of claim 8, wherein the enzyme catalyzed reaction is the reaction cascade for the sequential synthesis of uridinediphosphate-N-acetylmuramic acid pentapeptide catalyzed by the enzymes MurA, MurB, MurC, MurD, MurE, and MurF.

19) The method of claim 4, further comprising performing the method on a plurality of samples to effect a high throughput screen.

20) The method of claim 19, wherein the high throughput screen is used to identify compounds which inhibit an enzyme catalyzed reaction selected from the group consisting of the reaction cascade or any portion thereof for the sequential synthesis of uridinediphosphate-N-acetylmuramic acid pentapeptide catalyzed by the enzymes MurA, MurB, MurC, MurD, MurE, and MurF; kinase catalyzed reactions, lipase catalyzed reactions, phosphatase catalyzed reactions, protease catalyzed reactions, and tRNA transferase catalyzed reactions

21) A plate suitable for a direct adsorption binding assay, said plate comprised of a scintillating material and having one or more wells.

22) A plate suitable for a direct adsorption binding assay, said plate comprising

wells coated with a scintillant material.

23) The plate of claim 21, wherein said wells are derivatized such that the walls of of the wells are positively charged.

24) The plate of claim 21, wherein said wells are derivatized such that the walls of of the wells are negatively charged.

25) The plate of claim 21, wherein said wells are derivatized such that the walls of of the wells are hydrophobic.

26) The plate of claim 23, wherein the walls of the wells are derivatized with methyltrioctylammonium bromide.

27) The plate of claim 24, wherein the walls of the wells are derivatized with octadecyl sulfate.

28) The plate of claim 25, where the walls of the wells are derivatized with polylysine-N.sup.68-palmitate.

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CLAIMS:

What is claimed is:

1. A method for identifying a candidate compound that inhibits bacterial growth, the method comprising: providing bacteria carrying a gene that encodes .beta.-actamase; incubating the bacteria with the candidate compound under conditions that enable cell wall biosynthesis, to form a reaction mixture; performing a first assay on the reaction mixture to detect induction of .beta.-lactamase, wherein induction of .beta.-lactamase indicates that the candidate compound is an inhibitor of bacterial growth; obtaining a cell extract containing enzymes, cofactors, and carrier molecules necessary for a particular step or steps of cell wall biosynthesis; supplying a substrate for the step or steps; incubating the candidate compound with the cell extract and the substrate under conditions that enable the step or steps to proceed to form an incubation mixture; and performing a second assay on the incubation mixture for the substrate and the product normally produced in the step or steps, wherein the production of an amount of product less than that normally produced in the step or steps relative to the amount of substrate indicates the presence of an inhibitor of the step or steps, to thereby identify a candidate compound that inhibits bacterial growth.
2. A method for identifying an inhibitor of a particular step or steps of cell wall biosynthesis, the method comprising: providing bacteria carrying a gene that encodes .beta.-lactamase; incubating the bacteria with a candidate compound under conditions that enable cell wall biosynthesis, to form a reaction mixture; performing a first assay on the reaction mixture to detect induction of .beta.-lactamase to identify an inhibitor of cell wall biosynthesis; obtaining a cell extract containing enzymes, cofactors, and carrier molecules necessary for the particular step or steps; supplying a substrate for the step or steps; incubating the inhibitor with the cell extract and the substrate under conditions that enable the step or steps to proceed; and performing a second assay on the incubation mixture for the substrate and the product normally produced in the step or steps, wherein the production of an amount of product less than that normally produced in the step or steps relative to the amount of substrate indicates the presence of an inhibitor of the step or steps, to thereby identify an inhibitor of a particular step or steps of cell wall biosynthesis.

3. A method of claim 2, wherein the candidate compound is a member of a library of potential inhibitors.
4. A method of claim 2, wherein the first assaying step comprises measuring the optical density of the reaction mixture.
5. A method of claim 2, wherein the first assaying step comprises detecting the binding of antibodies to .beta.-lactamase.
6. A method of claim 2, wherein the cell extract is selected from the group consisting of a whole cell, a cell membrane preparation, and a cytoplasmic extract.
7. A method of claim 2, wherein the substrate is detectably labeled.
8. A method of claim 2, wherein the second assaying step comprises chromatography.
9. A method of claim 2, wherein the step of cell wall biosynthesis is the enolpyruvyl transfer step catalyzed by MurA or MurZ.
10. A method of claim 2, wherein the step of cell wall biosynthesis is the reduction of uridine diphosphate N-acetylenolpyruvylglucosamine catalyzed by MurB.
11. A method of claim 2, wherein the step of cell wall biosynthesis is the addition of L-alanine to uridine diphosphate-N-acetylmuramic acid catalyzed by MurC.
12. A method of claim 2, wherein the step of cell wall biosynthesis is the addition of D-glutamic acid to uridine diphosphate-N-acetylmuramic acid-L-alanine catalyzed by MurD.
13. A method of claim 2, wherein the step of cell wall biosynthesis is the addition of meso-diaminopimelate to uridine diphosphate-N-acetylmuramic acid-dipeptide catalyzed by MurE.
14. A method of claim 2, wherein the step of cell wall biosynthesis is the addition of D-alanyl-D-alanine to uridine diphosphate-N-acetylmuramic acid-tripeptide catalyzed by MurF.
15. A method of claim 2, wherein the step of cell wall biosynthesis is the racemization of L-alanine to D-alanine catalyzed by Ala racemase.
16. A method of claim 2, wherein the step of cell wall biosynthesis is the ligation of two molecules of D-alanine catalyzed by D-Ala:D-Ala ligase.
17. A method of claim 2, wherein the step of cell wall biosynthesis is the synthesis of lipid-linked N-acetylmuramic acid-pentapeptide catalyzed by MraY.
18. A method of claim 2, wherein the step of cell wall biosynthesis is the N-acetylglucosamine transfer step catalyzed by MurG.
19. A method of claim 2, wherein the step of cell wall biosynthesis is septum peptidoglycan synthesis catalyzed by the peptidoglycan transglycosylase-transpeptidase FtsI.

20. A method of claim 2, wherein the step of cell wall biosynthesis is septum peptidoglycan synthesis catalyzed by FtsW.
21. A method of claim 2, wherein the gene *tit* encodes β -lactamase is from a bacterial species selected from the group of genera consisting of *Citrobacter*, *Enterobacter*, *Serratia*, *Pseudomonas*, and *Proteus*.
22. A method of claim 21, wherein the gene is *ampC* from *Citrobacter freundii*.
23. A method of claim 2, wherein the gene also includes a reporter gene.
24. A method of claim 23, wherein the reporter gene is *lacZ*.
25. A method of claim 23, wherein the reporter gene is *luc*.

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TITLE: MurC from Streptococcus pneumoniaeAbstract Text (1):

The invention provides MurC polypeptides and DNA (RNA) encoding MurC polypeptides and methods for producing such polypeptides by recombinant techniques. Also provided are methods for utilizing MurC polypeptides to screen for antibacterial compounds.

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TITLE: Metabolic pathway assay

CLAIMS:

10. The kit according to claim 9 wherein the first enzyme is the gene product of murC, the second enzyme is the gene product of murD, the third enzyme is the gene product of murE, and the fourth enzyme is the gene product of murF.

15. The kit according to claim 14 wherein the first enzyme is the gene product of murA, the second enzyme is the gene product of murB, the third enzyme is the gene product of murC, the fourth enzyme is the gene product of murD, the fifth enzyme is the gene product of murE, and the sixth enzyme is the product of murF.

29. The method according to claim 28 wherein the first enzyme is the gene product of murC, the second enzyme is the gene product of murD, the third enzyme is the gene product of murE, and the fourth enzyme is the gene product of murF.

35. The method according to claim 34 wherein the first enzyme is the gene product of murA, the second enzyme is the gene product of murB, the third enzyme is the gene product of murC, the fourth enzyme is the gene product of murD, the fifth enzyme is the gene product of murE, and the sixth enzyme is the product of murF.

37. A high-throughput in vitro screening method for detecting a biologically active compound which is comprised of:

(a) combining an enzyme cascade comprising a first enzyme, a second enzyme, a third enzyme, a fourth enzyme, a fifth enzyme and a sixth enzyme, and a labeled substrate for the first enzyme with a compound suspected of having biological activity; wherein:

the first enzyme is the gene product of murA, the second enzyme is the gene product of murB, the third enzyme is the gene product of murC, the fourth enzyme is the gene product of murD, the fifth enzyme is the gene product of murE, and the sixth enzyme is the product of murF; and

(b) measuring the concentrations of the products of the enzymes and comparing to a standard, by absorbing the product of the sixth enzyme onto resin and detecting the amount of label and comparing the amount of label to control.

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[54] METABOLIC PATHWAY ASSAY

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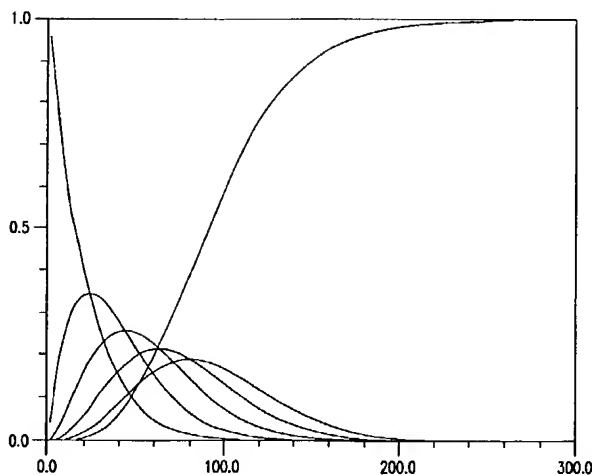
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[57] ABSTRACT

An in vitro screening assay which identifies enzyme inhibitors and allows for the simultaneous assay of many enzymes. Enzyme, substrate, co-factor, etc. concentrations are optimized so that inhibitors of any one of the enzymes in the pathway are equally likely to be detected. Necessarily, the flux of substrate through each enzyme should be nearly the same during the assay, i.e., each of the enzyme catalyzed steps must be equally rate-limiting. Preferably, optimal assay conditions are predicted by computer modeling. Further, the pathway conditions are optimized through variation of enzyme, starting substrate, co-substrate and co-factor concentrations. A positive response is initially detected as a change in the amount of the product generated at the end of the enzyme cascade as compared to a standard. A sample producing a positive result can be deconvoluted.

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(54) 【発明の名称】 MurC

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【課題】 MurCポリペプチドおよびMurCポリペ
プチドをコードしているポリヌクレオチド、ならびに組
換えによるかかるポリペプチドの製造方法を提供する。
さらに、抗細菌化合物のスクリーニングのためのMur
Cポリペプチドの使用法も提供する。
【解決手段】 特定のアミノ酸配列に対して少なくとも
70%の同一性を有するポリペプチド、ならびにアミノ
酸配列に対して少なくとも70%の同一性を有するポリ
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PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To provide a MurC polypeptide, to provide a polynucleotide encoding the MurC polypeptide, to provide a method for producing the polypeptide by a recombination method, and to provide a method for using the MurC polypeptide for screening an antibacterial compound.

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PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To obtain MurC polypeptide and MurC polynucleotide useful e.g. e.g. for screening of new antibiotics and antibacterial therapies.

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TITLE: NEW MURC GENEAbstract Text (1):

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To obtain a gene for UDP-N-acetylmuramic acid-alanine ligase gene (murC gene) derived from coryneform bacteria.

Abstract Text (2):

SOLUTION: This invention relates to a DNA fragment obtained by treating a chromosomal DNA derived from coryneform bacteria with the restriction enzymes, MluI and EcoRV, wherein, one end is an MluI site and the other end is an EcoRV site, and including at least a DNA fragment having a size of about 1.9 kb, which is divided by EcoRV into two fragments, one having a size of about 1.2 kb and the other having a size of about 0.7 kb. This DNA fragment includes the murC gene derived from coryneform bacteria.

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TITLE: MurC gene of Staphylococcus aureus coding for UDP-N-acetylmuramate:L-alanine Ligase

Abstract Text (1):

CHG DATE=19990905 STATUS=O> The invention provides MurC polypeptides and polynucleotides encoding MurC polypeptides and methods for producing such polypeptides by recombinant techniques. Also provided are methods for utilizing MurC polypeptides to screen for antibacterial compounds.

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TITLE: Novel crystallized recombinant polypeptides from Staphylococcus aureus, Streptococcus pneumoniae and Helicobacter pylori and which are involved in membrane biosynthesis, useful as targets for pathogenic bacteria

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BASIC-ABSTRACT:

NOVELTY - A crystallized recombinant polypeptide (I) comprising amino acid sequence of polypeptides from Staphylococcus aureus, Streptococcus pneumoniae, Helicobacter pylori and Pseudomonas aeruginosa and which are involved in membrane biosynthesis, or amino acid sequences having at least 90 % identity with the polypeptide

sequence, where the polypeptide is in crystal form, is new.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - A crystallized recombinant polypeptide (I) comprises the amino acid sequence of polypeptides (P) involved in membrane biosynthesis, which includes FtsZ cell division protein (FtsZ), (3R)-hydroxymyristol acyl carrier protein dehydratase (FabZ), acyl carrier protein synthase (AcpS), (3-oxoacyl-(acyl-carrier-protein) synthase III (FabH), teichoic acid biosynthesis protein D (TagD), and Spo0B-associated GTP-binding protein (Obg) from *S. aureus* 3-ketoacyl-acyl-carrier protein reductase (FabG), UDP-N-acetylmuramoylalanine-D-glutamate ligase (MurD) and L-alanine adding enzyme (UDP-N-acetyl-muramate:alanine ligase) (MurC) from *H. pylori*, acyl carrier protein synthase (AcpS) from *S. pneumoniae*, 3-oxoacyl-(acyl-carrier-protein) reductase (FabG) from *P. aeruginosa*. (I) comprises an amino acid sequence having at least 90 or 95 % identity with the amino acid sequence of (P), or comprises an amino acid sequence encoded by a polynucleotide that hybridize under stringent conditions to the complementary strand of a polynucleotide having a sequence encoding any of (P). (I) is in a crystal form.

INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are also included for:

- (1) a sample (II) comprising (P), labeled with a heavy atom, or enriched in nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) isotope;
- (2) a crystallized complex comprising the recombinant polypeptides as above and a co-factor or a small organic molecule, where the complex is in a crystal form;
- (3) a host cell comprising a nucleic acid encoding (P), where the culture of the host cell produces 1 mg of the polypeptide/l of culture and the polypeptide is at least one-third soluble as measured by gel electrophoresis;
- (4) a composition (C) comprising an isolated, recombinant polypeptide, FabG, AcpS, MurD, MurC, TagD or AcpS as above, its 95 % identical sequence or an amino acid sequence encoded by a polynucleotide that hybridizes under stringent conditions to the complementary strand of polynucleotide encoding any of the above polypeptide, where the polypeptide is at least 90 % pure in a sample of the composition;
- (5) a composition (III) same as (C), but comprising only FtsZ, FabZ, Obg, FabG or FabH polypeptide;
- (6) a complex comprising a polypeptide of (III) and FTSA cell division protein;
- (7) a complex comprising polypeptide of (IV) one or more of 50S ribosomal protein (RP) L22, 30S RP S7, 30S RP S5, 50S RP L5, 50S RP L6, 50S RP L4, 30S RP S4, 50S RPL3, 50S RP L2, 30S RP S2, RNA polymerase alpha, RNA polymerase beta and beta ';
- (8) a complex comprising FabH and leukotoxin LukM and 16 kDa unidentified protein;
- (9) a complex comprising FabH and 50S RP L16 and leukotoxin LukM;
- (10) a complex comprising FabG and a 25 kDa unidentified protein;
- (11) an isolated, recombinant polypeptide comprising at least 90 % identity with FtsZ polypeptide, or an amino acid sequence encoded by a polynucleotide that hybridizes under stringent conditions to the complementary strand of polynucleotide encoding FtsZ, where the polypeptide includes Asp at position 155 and/or 354;

(12) an isolated, recombinant polypeptide comprising at least 90 % identity with FabZ polypeptide from *S. aureus*, or an amino acid sequence encoded by a polynucleotide that hybridizes under stringent conditions to the complementary strand of polynucleotide encoding FabZ, where the polypeptide includes Leu at position 15 and Asn at position 113;

(13) an isolated recombinant polypeptide, comprising at least 90 % identity with FabG from *H. pylori* or an amino acid sequence encoded by a polynucleotide that hybridizes under stringent conditions to the complementary strand of a polynucleotide having a sequence encoding FabG, where the polypeptide includes Cys at position 55;

(14) an isolated, recombinant polypeptide comprising at least 90 % identity with AcpS, where the polypeptide includes one or more of the amino acid residues at the specified position of the polypeptide: Lys at position 11;

(15) an isolated, recombinant polypeptide, comprising at least 90 % identity with MurD or an amino acid sequence encoded by a polynucleotide that hybridizes under stringent conditions to the complementary strand of polynucleotide encoding MurD, where the polypeptide includes Ala at position 16;

(16) an isolated, recombinant polypeptide comprising at least 90 % identity with MurC polypeptide, or an amino acid sequence encoded by a polynucleotide that hybridizes under stringent conditions to the complementary strand of polynucleotide encoding MurC, where the polypeptide includes Thr at position 385, Ile at position 427 and Lys at position 429;

(17) an isolated, recombinant polypeptide comprising at least 95 % identity with Obg polypeptide, or an amino acid sequence encoded by a polynucleotide that hybridizes under stringent conditions to the complementary strand of polynucleotide encoding Obg, where the polypeptide includes Phe at position 339; and

(18) an isolated, recombinant polypeptide comprising at least 90 % identity with FabG polypeptide, or an amino acid sequence encoded by a polynucleotide that hybridizes under stringent conditions to the complementary strand of polynucleotide encoding FabG, where the polypeptide includes Ala at position 58.

ACTIVITY - Antibacterial.

No biological data is given.

MECHANISM OF ACTION - Vaccine.

USE - (I) is useful for designing a modulator for the prevention or treatment of *S. aureus*, *H. pylori*, *S. pneumoniae*, and *P. aeruginosa*-related disease or disorder. (I) is also useful for identifying small molecules that bind to a recombinant polypeptide. (All claimed.) The structural and functional information of (I) aid in the discovery and design of therapeutic and diagnostic molecules. The crystal structure is useful to make a structural or computer model of the polypeptide, complex or its portion. (I) is also useful for determining crystal structure of a homolog of (P). A protein complex comprising (P) is useful for identifying modulators of the protein complex. Detecting the presence of (P) is useful for diagnosing a patient suffering from a disease or disorder of a pathogenic species. The diagnostic assays are useful for monitoring the effectiveness of an anti-pathogenic treatment in an individual suffering from a disease or disorder of such pathogen. (I) and the recombinant polypeptides are useful for inducing an immunological response in an individual and as an antigen for vaccination of a host

to produce specific antibodies which protect against invasion of bacteria, for example by blocking adherence of bacteria to damaged tissue.

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TITLE: Novel crystallized recombinant polypeptides from Staphylococcus aureus, Streptococcus pneumoniae and Escherichia coli and which are involved in membrane biosynthesis, useful as targets for pathogenic bacteria

Basic Abstract Text (4):

(2) a crystallized complex comprising the recombinant polypeptides, MurD, MurC, MvaK1, AccA, FemD, DdlA, and GlmM as above and a co-factor or a small organic molecule, where the complex is in a crystal form;

Basic Abstract Text (8):

(6) a composition (III) comprising MurC polypeptide, a polypeptide having at least 90% identity with the aa sequence of the polypeptide, or a polypeptide encoded by a polynucleotide that hybridizes under stringent conditions to the complementary strand of a polynucleotide that encodes MurC polypeptide, where the polypeptide is at least 90% pure in a sample of the composition;

Basic Abstract Text (10):

(8) a host cell comprising a nucleic acid encoding a MurC, MurB, MvaK1, FemD, DdlA, GlmM, AccA or MurD polypeptide from S. pneumoniae, as in (I), where the culture of the host cell produces 1 mg of the polypeptide/l of culture and the polypeptide is at least one-third soluble as measured by gel electrophoresis;

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ABSTRACTED-PUB-NO: WO2003025007A

BASIC-ABSTRACT:

NOVELTY - A crystallized recombinant polypeptide (I) comprising the amino acid (aa) sequence of polypeptides from Staphylococcus aureus, Streptococcus pneumoniae and Escherichia coli and which are involved in membrane biosynthesis, or aa sequences having at least 90% identity with the polypeptide sequence, is new.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are also included for:

- (1) a sample (II) comprising isolated, recombinant polypeptide as in (I), labeled with a heavy atom, or enriched in NMR isotope;
- (2) a crystallized complex comprising the recombinant polypeptides, MurD, MurC, MvaK1, AccA, FemD, DdlA, and GlmM as above and a co-factor or a small organic molecule, where the complex is in a crystal form;
- (3) an isolated, recombinant polypeptide comprising an aa sequence having at least 80% identity with GlmM polypeptide, or an aa sequence encoded by a polynucleotide that hybridizes under stringent conditions to the complementary strand of polynucleotide encoding GlmM, where the polypeptide includes Ser at position 82;
- (4) an isolated, recombinant polypeptide comprising an aa sequence having at least 80% identity with MurD polypeptide from *S. pneumoniae*, or an aa sequence encoded by a polynucleotide that hybridizes under stringent conditions to the complementary strand of polynucleotide encoding MurD, where the polypeptide includes Gly at position 294;
- (5) an isolated recombinant polypeptide, comprising an aa sequence having at least 80% identity with the aa sequence of MurD from *S. aureus* or an aa sequence encoded by a polynucleotide that hybridizes under stringent conditions to the complementary strand of a polynucleotide having a sequence encoding MurD, where the polypeptide includes Ile at position 17 and/or Val at position 376;
- (6) a composition (III) comprising MurC polypeptide, a polypeptide having at least 90% identity with the aa sequence of the polypeptide, or a polypeptide encoded by a polynucleotide that hybridizes under stringent conditions to the complementary strand of a polynucleotide that encodes MurC polypeptide, where the polypeptide is at least 90% pure in a sample of the composition;
- (7) a complex comprising the polypeptide of (III), and one or more of aerobic glycerol-3-phosphate dehydrogenase and glutamate racemase;
- (8) a host cell comprising a nucleic acid encoding a MurC, MurB, MvaK1, FemD, DdlA, GlmM, AccA or MurD polypeptide from *S. pneumoniae*, as in (I), where the culture of the host cell produces 1 mg of the polypeptide/l of culture and the polypeptide is at least one-third soluble as measured by gel electrophoresis;
- (9) an isolated, recombinant polypeptide comprising an aa sequence having at least 90% identity with the aa sequence of MurB from *S. aureus*, where the polypeptide includes one or more of the aa residues at the specified position of the polypeptide: Arg at position 89 or 115, and Pro at position 89;
- (10) a solution comprising a recombinant polypeptide comprising aa sequence of MurB polypeptide, it's 95% identical sequence, or aa sequence encoded by a polynucleotide that hybridizes under stringent conditions to the complementary strand of polynucleotide encoding MurB, where the polypeptide has a concentration of at least 7 mg/ml in the solution;
- (11) a composition (IV) comprising an isolated, recombinant polypeptide, MvaK1 as in (I), where the polypeptide is at least 90% pure in a sample of the composition;
- (12) a complex comprising a polypeptide in (IV) and approximately 70 kDa unidentified protein;
- (13) a composition comprising an isolated, recombinant polypeptide, AccA from *E. coli*, FemD, DdlA, GlmM or MurD from *S. pneumoniae* as in (I), where the polypeptide

is at least 90% pure in a sample of the composition;

(14) a composition (V) comprising an isolated, recombinant polypeptide, AccA from *S. aureus*, its 95% identical sequence or an aa sequence encoded by a polynucleotide that hybridizes under stringent conditions to the complementary strand of polynucleotide encoding AccA, where the polypeptide is at least 90% pure in a sample of the composition;

(15) a complex comprising a polypeptide in (V) and malate:quinone oxidoreductase;

(16) an isolated, recombinant polypeptide, comprising a sequence having at least 90% 90% identity with the aa sequence of AccA from *S. aureus* or an aa sequence encoded by a polynucleotide that hybridizes under stringent conditions to the complementary strand of polynucleotide encoding AccA, where the polypeptide includes Val at position 93; and

(17) an isolated, recombinant polypeptide comprising an aa sequence having at least 95% identity with DdlA polypeptide, or an aa sequence encoded by a polynucleotide that hybridizes under stringent conditions to the complementary strand of polynucleotide encoding DdlA, where the polypeptide includes Asn at position 33, Ile Ile at position 170, Lys at position 250, Thr at position 257 and Glu at position 327.

ACTIVITY - Antibacterial.

No biological data given.

MECHANISM OF ACTION - Vaccine; Modulator of (P).

USE - (I) is useful for designing a modulator for the prevention or treatment of *S. aureus*, *E. coli* or *S. pneumoniae* related disease or disorder. (I) is also useful for identifying small molecules that bind to a polypeptide (claimed).

The structural and functional information of (I) aid in the discovery and design of therapeutic and diagnostic molecules. The crystal structure is useful to make a structural or computer model of the polypeptide, complex or its portion. (I) is also also useful for determining crystal structure of a homolog of (P). A protein complex comprising (P) is useful for identifying modulators of the protein complex. Detecting the presence of (P) is useful for diagnosing a patient suffering from a disease or disorder of a pathogenic species. The diagnostic assays are useful for monitoring the effectiveness of an anti-pathogenic treatment in an individual suffering from a disease or disorder of such pathogen. (I) and the recombinant polypeptides are useful for inducing an immunological response in an individual and as an antigen for vaccination of a host to produce specific antibodies which protect against invasion of bacteria, for e.g. by blocking adherence of bacteria to damaged tissue. The polypeptides are also useful for developing antimicrobial agents agents which are useful as surface disinfectants, topical pharmaceuticals, personal hygiene applications, additive to cell culture medium and systemic pharmaceutical products, and as food preservative or in treating food products to eliminate potential pathogens.

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TITLE: Analyzing a sample for measuring enzyme activity and assaying biochemical processes, by direct adsorption scintillation assay

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BASIC-ABSTRACT:

NOVELTY - Analyzing (M1) a sample by providing a sample containing one or more molecular species (MS), where at least one of MS is capable of stimulating scintillation, providing a scintillating material (I), where the surface of (I) adsorbs at least one of MS via general molecular property-based binding interaction and gets stimulated, and measuring the scintillation emitted by (I), is new.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - Analyzing (M1) a sample, comprising:

(a) providing a sample containing one or more MS, where at least one of MS is capable of stimulating scintillation;

(b) providing (I), where the surface of (I) adsorbs at least one of MS via general molecular property-based binding interaction between MS and (I), and where (I) can be stimulated to scintillate by at least one of the adsorbed MS, but is generally not stimulated to scintillate by any MS which is not adsorbed; and

(c) measuring the scintillation emitted by (I).

An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is also included for a plate (II) suitable for a direct adsorption binding assay, comprised (I) and having one or more wells, or wells coated with (I).

USE - M1 is useful for analyzing a sample, which is used to identify compounds which which inhibit an enzyme catalyzed reaction from kinase, lipase, phosphatase, protease, and tRNA transferase catalyzed reactions, or from the reaction cascade or any its portion for the sequential synthesis of uridinediphosphate-N-acetylmuramic acid pentapeptide catalyzed by the enzymes MurA, MurB, MurC, MurD, MurE and MurF (claimed), and used for studying enzymatic reactions. The assays are used for analyzing samples, particularly biological and biochemical samples such as reaction substrates or products.

ADVANTAGE - These assays are convenient and inexpensive, rapid, inexpensive and convenient quantitation of a desired analyte, avoiding the need for separation of reactants and products and obviating the need for preparation of specific antibodies or receptors or the preparation of reagents derivatized with specific binding partners. It facilitates assays, and can be used for high-throughput screening of chemical libraries. Unlike prior art methods, this system need not be prepared for each step, and such a system is readily adaptable to use in high throughput screening.

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TITLE: Analyzing a sample for measuring enzyme activity and assaying biochemical processes, by direct adsorption scintillation assay

Basic Abstract Text (7):

USE - M1 is useful for analyzing a sample, which is used to identify compounds which inhibit an enzyme catalyzed reaction from kinase, lipase, phosphotase, protease, and tRNA transferase catalyzed reactions, or from the reaction cascade or any its portion for the sequential synthesis of uridinediphosphate-N-acetylmuramic acid pentapeptide catalyzed by the enzymes MurA, MurB, MurC, MurD, MurE and MurF (claimed), and used for studying enzymatic reactions. The assays are used for analyzing samples, particularly biological and biochemical samples such as reaction substrates or products.



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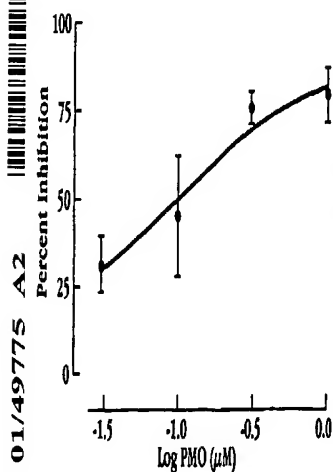
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(54) Title: ANTISENSE ANTIBACTERIAL CELL DIVISION COMPOSITION AND METHOD



(37) Abstract: Antisense oligonucleotides directed to bacterial cell division and cell cycle-exiting nucleic acids are capable of selectively modulating the biological activity thereof, and are useful in treatment and prevention of bacterial infection. The antisense oligonucleotides are substantially unchanged, and contain from 1 to 40 nucleotide subunits, including a targeting nucleic acid sequence at least 10 nucleobases in length which is effective to hybridize to (a) a bacterial tRNA, or (b) a target sequence, containing a translational start codon, within a bacterial nucleic acid which encodes a protein associated with cell division or the cell cycle. Such proteins include *uidA*, *mifA*, *serA*, *dnaA*, *durB*, *difC*, *difA*, *ftsZ*, *ftsA*, *ftsB*, *ftsX*, *ftsY*, *ftsW*, *ftsK*, *ftsQ*, *ftsR*, *ftsL*, *mucC*, *mucD*, *mucE*, *mucF*, *mucG*, *mucH*, *mucI*, *mucJ*, *mucK*, *mucL*, *mucM*, *mucN*, *mucO*, *mucP*, *mucQ*, *mucR*, *mucS*, *mucT*, *mucU*, *mucV*, *mucW*, *mucX*, *mucY*, *mucZ*, *mucAA*, *mucAB*, *mucAC*, *mucAD*, *mucAE*, *mucAF*, *mucAG*, *mucAH*, *mucAI*, *mucAJ*, *mucAK*, *mucAL*, *mucAM*, *mucAN*, *mucAO*, *mucAP*, *mucAQ*, *mucAR*, *mucAS*, *mucAT*, *mucAU*, *mucAV*, *mucAW*, *mucAX*, *mucAY*, *mucAZ*, *mucBA*, *mucBB*, *mucBC*, *mucBD*, *mucBE*, *mucBF*, *mucBG*, *mucBH*, *mucBI*, *mucBJ*, *mucBK*, *mucBL*, *mucBM*, *mucBN*, *mucBO*, *mucBP*, *mucBQ*, *mucBR*, *mucBS*, *mucBT*, *mucBU*, *mucBV*, *mucBW*, *mucBX*, *mucBY*, *mucBZ*, *mucCA*, *mucCB*, *mucCC*, *mucCD*, *mucCE*, *mucCF*, *mucCG*, *mucCH*, *mucCI*, *mucCJ*, *mucCK*, *mucCL*, *mucCM*, *mucCN*, *mucCO*, *mucCP*, *mucCQ*, *mucCR*, *mucCS*, *mucCT*, *mucCU*, *mucCV*, *mucCW*, *mucCX*, *mucCY*, *mucCZ*, *mucDA*, *mucDB*, *mucDC*, *mucDD*, *mucDE*, *mucDF*, *mucDG*, *mucDH*, *mucDI*, *mucDJ*, *mucDK*, *mucDL*, *mucDM*, *mucDN*, *mucDO*, *mucDP*, *mucDQ*, *mucDR*, *mucDS*, *mucDT*, *mucDU*, *mucDV*, *mucDW*, *mucDX*, *mucDY*, *mucDZ*, *mucEA*, *mucEB*, *mucEC*, *mucED*, *mucEE*, *mucEF*, *mucEG*, *mucEH*, *mucEI*, *mucEJ*, *mucEK*, *mucEL*, *mucEM*, *mucEN*, *mucEO*, *mucEP*, *mucEQ*, *mucER*, *mucES*, *mucET*, *mucEU*, *mucEV*, *mucEW*, *mucEX*, *mucEY*, *mucEZ*, *mucFA*, *mucFB*, *mucFC*, *mucFD*, *mucFE*, *mucFF*, *mucFG*, *mucFH*, *mucFI*, *mucFJ*, *mucFK*, *mucFL*, *mucFM*, *mucFN*, *mucFO*, *mucFP*, *mucFQ*, *mucFR*, *mucFS*, *mucFT*, *mucFU*, *mucFV*, *mucFW*, *mucFX*, *mucFY*, *mucFZ*, *mucGA*, *mucGB*, *mucGC*, *mucGD*, *mucGE*, *mucGF*, *mucGG*, *mucGH*, *mucGI*, *mucGJ*, *mucGK*, *mucGL*, *mucGM*, *mucGN*, *mucGO*, *mucGP*, *mucGQ*, *mucGR*, *mucGS*, *mucGT*, *mucGU*, *mucGV*, *mucGW*, *mucGX*, *mucGY*, *mucGZ*, *mucHA*, *mucHB*, *mucHC*, *mucHD*, *mucHE*, *mucHF*, *mucHG*, *mucHH*, *mucHI*, *mucHJ*, *mucHK*, *mucHL*, *mucHM*, *mucHN*, *mucHO*, *mucHP*, *mucHQ*, *mucHR*, *mucHS*, *mucHT*, *mucHU*, *mucHV*, *mucHW*, *mucHX*, *mucHY*, *mucHZ*, *mucIA*, *mucIB*, *mucIC*, *mucID*, *mucIE*, *mucIF*, *mucIG*, *mucIH*, *mucII*, *mucIJ*, *mucIK*, *mucIL*, *mucIM*, *mucIN*, *mucIO*, *mucIP*, *mucIQ*, *mucIR*, *mucIS*, *mucIT*, *mucIU*, *mucIV*, *mucIW*, *mucIX*, *mucIY*, *mucIZ*, *mucJA*, *mucJB*, *mucJC*, *mucJD*, *mucJE*, *mucJF*, *mucJG*, *mucJH*, *mucJI*, *mucJJ*, *mucJK*, *mucJL*, *mucJM*, *mucJN*, *mucJO*, *mucJP*, *mucJQ*, *mucJR*, *mucJS*, *mucJT*, *mucJU*, *mucJV*, *mucJW*, *mucJX*, *mucJY*, *mucJZ*, *mucKA*, *mucKB*, *mucKC*, *mucKD*, *mucKE*, *mucKF*, *mucKG*, *mucKH*, *mucKI*, *mucKJ*, *mucKL*, *mucKM*, *mucKN*, *mucKO*, *mucKP*, *mucKQ*, *mucKR*, *mucKS*, *mucKT*, *mucKU*, *mucKV*, *mucKW*, *mucKX*, *mucKY*, *mucKZ*, *mucLA*, *mucLB*, *mucLC*, *mucLD*, *mucLE*, *mucLF*, *mucLG*, *mucLH*, *mucLI*, *mucLJ*, *mucLK*, *mucLL*, *mucLM*, *mucLN*, *mucLO*, *mucLP*, *mucLQ*, *mucLR*, *mucLS*, *mucLT*, *mucLU*, *mucLV*, *mucLW*, *mucLX*, *mucLY*, *mucLZ*, *mucMA*, *mucMB*, *mucMC*, *mucMD*, *mucME*, *mucMF*, *mucMG*, *mucMH*, *mucMI*, *mucMJ*, *mucMK*, *mucML*, *mucMN*, *mucMO*, *mucMP*, *mucMQ*, *mucMR*, *mucMS*, *mucMT*, *mucMU*, *mucMV*, *mucMW*, *mucMX*, *mucMY*, *mucMZ*, *mucNA*, *mucNB*, *mucNC*, *mucND*, *mucNE*, *mucNF*, *mucNG*, *mucNH*, *mucNI*, *mucNJ*, *mucNK*, *mucNL*, *mucNM*, *mucNN*, *mucNO*, *mucNP*, *mucNQ*, *mucNR*, *mucNS*, *mucNT*, *mucNU*, *mucNV*, *mucNW*, *mucNX*, *mucNY*, *mucNZ*, *mucOA*, *mucOB*, *mucOC*, *mucOD*, *mucOE*, *mucOF*, *mucOG*, *mucOH*, *mucOI*, *mucOJ*, *mucOK*, *mucOL*, *mucOM*, *mucON*, *mucOO*, *mucOP*, *mucOQ*, *mucOR*, *mucOS*, *mucOT*, *mucOU*, *mucOV*, *mucOW*, *mucOX*, *mucOY*, *mucOZ*, *mucPA*, *mucPB*, *mucPC*, *mucPD*, *mucPE*, *mucPF*, *mucPG*, *mucPH*, *mucPI*, *mucPJ*, *mucPK*, *mucPL*, *mucPM*, *mucPN*, *mucPO*, *mucPP*, *mucPQ*, *mucPR*, *mucPS*, *mucPT*, *mucPU*, *mucPV*, *mucPW*, *mucPX*, *mucPY*, *mucPZ*, *mucQA*, *mucQB*, *mucQC*, *mucQD*, *mucQE*, *mucQF*, *mucQG*, *mucQH*, *mucQI*, *mucQJ*, *mucQK*, *mucQL*, *mucQM*, *mucQN*, *mucQO*, *mucQP*, *mucQQ*, *mucQR*, *mucQS*, *mucQT*, *mucQU*, *mucQV*, *mucQW*, *mucQX*, *mucQY*, *mucQZ*, *mucRA*, *mucRB*, *mucRC*, *mucRD*, *mucRE*, *mucRF*

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TITLE: Antisense compounds against bacterial cell division and cell cycle-encoding nucleic acids, useful for treating bacterial infections and for producing attenuated attenuated vaccines for the treatment of bacterial infections

Basic Abstract Text (2):

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - An antibacterial compound (I) comprising an uncharged antisense oligomer of 8-40 nucleotide units and which includes a targeting sequence at least 10 nucleotides in length which hybridizes to a bacterial tRNA sequence or a target sequence comprising a translational start codon within a bacterial nucleic acid which encodes a protein associated with cell division or the cell cycle. The protein is zipA, sula, secA, dicA, dicB, dicC, dicF ftsA, ftsI, ftsK, ftsL ftsQ, ftsWftsZ, murC, murD, murE, murF, murG, minC, minD, minE, mraY, mraW, mraZ, seqA and/or ddlB proteins, carbamate kinase, D-ala D-ala ligase, topoisomerase, alkyl hydroperoxide reductase, thioredoxin reductase, dihydrofolate reductase and/or cell wall enzymes. each subunit comprises a 5- or 6- membered ring supporting a base-pairing group which can bind by Watson-Crick base pairing to a respective nucleotide in a bacterial nucleic acid sequence. Adjacent subunits are joined by uncharged linkages selected from uncharged phosphoroamidate, phosphorodiamidate, carbonate, carbamate, amide, phosphotriester, alkyl phosphonate, siloxane, sulfone, sulfonamide, sulfamate, thioformacetyl and methylene-N-methylhydroxylamin- o, or by charged linkages selected from phosphate, charged phosphoroamidate and phosphorothioate. The ratio of uncharged linkages to charged linkages in the oligomer is at least 4:1.

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TITLE: New *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* MurC enzyme involved in bacterial cell wall biosynthesis, useful for identifying inhibitors of enzyme which are active against both gram positive and gram negative bacteria

Basic Abstract Text (1):

NOVELTY - Purified and isolated *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* UDP-N-acetylmuramyl:L-alanine ligase (MurC) protein or a polypeptide (I) which has the fully defined 487 amino acid sequence (S2) given in the specification, or that is a naturally occurring mutant or polymorphic form of (S2), is new.

Basic Abstract Text (15):

(3) providing a sample that includes a MurC polypeptide such as a polypeptide having a sequence of (S2), a polypeptide that is a functional derivative of (S2) or a polypeptide that is a naturally occurring mutant or polymorphic form of (S2);

Basic Abstract Text (16):

(4) contacting the sample with the candidate to permit the interaction of the candidate with the MurC polypeptide; and

Basic Abstract Text (23):

(II) are useful in the expression and production of *P.aeruginosa* MurC protein. Partial or full length (II) can be used as probes for detecting the presence of *P.aeruginosa* MurC DNA or RNA, and to study the effects of modulators of MurC transcription.

Basic Abstract Text (24):

Polynucleotides having sequences that are unique or specific for *P.aeruginosa* MurC can be used as primers in amplification reaction assays for use in tissue typing. The primers can also be used to obtain amplified *P.aeruginosa* MurC cDNA using MurC cDNA of the cells as an initial template. The polynucleotides can also be used in identification of various polymorphic *P.aeruginosa* MurC genes or the detection of an organism having a *P.aeruginosa* murC gene.

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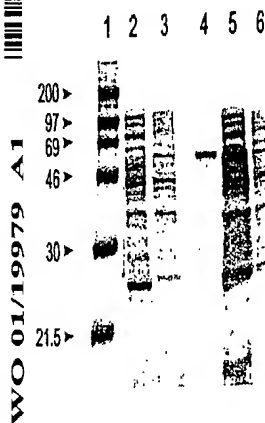
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Nucleic acid sequences which encode functionally
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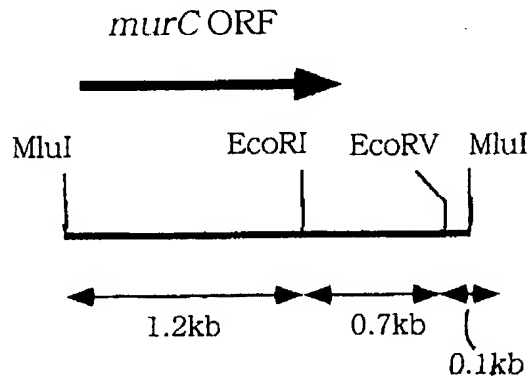
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(54) 【発明の名称】 新規murC遺伝子

(57) 【要約】

【課題】 コリネ型細菌由来のUDP-N-アセチルムラミン酸-アラニンリガーゼ遺伝子 (murC遺伝子) を提供する。

【解決手段】 コリネ型細菌の染色体DNAを制限酵素MluI及びEcoRVで処理して得られる、片端がMluIサイト、もう一端がEcoRVサイトであり、EcoRIサイトにより大きさが約1.2kb及び約0.7kbの断片に分割される大きさが約1.9kbのDNA断片を少なくとも含むDNA断片。本DNA断片にコリネ型細菌由来のmurC遺伝子が含まれる。



【特許請求の範囲】

【請求項1】 コリネ型細菌の染色体DNAを制限酵素MluI及びEcoRVで処理して得られる、片端がMluIサイト、もう一端がEcoRVサイトであり、EcoRIサイトにより大きさが約1.2kb及び約0.7kbの断片に分割される大きさが約1.9kbのDNA断片を少なくとも含むDNA断片。

【請求項2】 コリネ型細菌がプレバクテリウム・フラバムMJ-233である、請求項1記載の断片。

【請求項3】 請求項1または2記載のDNA断片によってコードされるUDP-N-アセチルムラミン酸-アラニン リガーゼ。

【請求項4】 配列番号2記載のアミノ酸配列、または、配列番号2記載のアミノ酸配列において1若しくは数個のアミノ酸が欠失、置換、若しくは付加されたアミノ酸配列からなるUDP-N-アセチルムラミン酸-アラニン リガーゼ。

【請求項5】 請求項1または2記載のDNA断片に含まれるUDP-N-アセチルムラミン酸-アラニン リガーゼをコードする遺伝子。

【請求項6】 請求項4記載のUDP-N-アセチルムラミン酸-アラニンリガーゼをコードする遺伝子。

【請求項7】 配列番号1記載の塩基配列からなるDNA、または、配列番号1記載の塩基配列からなるDNAとストリンジェントな条件でハイブリダイズし、かつUDP-N-アセチルムラミン酸-アラニン リガーゼ活性を有するタンパク質をコードするDNAからなる遺伝子。

【発明の詳細な説明】

【0001】

【発明の属する技術分野】本発明は、新規UDP-N-アセチルムラミン酸-アラニン リガーゼ（以下、murCタンパク質と略記することがある）、それをコードする遺伝子（以下、murC遺伝子と略記することがある）、及び該遺伝子を含むDNA断片（以下、murC断片と略記することがある）に関する。

【0002】

【従来の技術】UDP-N-アセチルムラミン酸-アラニン リガーゼ[EC6.3.2.8]は、微生物の細胞壁の生合成系の酵素の1つであり、UDP-N-アセチルムラミン酸とL-アラニンとからUDP-N-アセチルムラモイル-アラニンを合成する反応を触媒している酵素である。

【0003】murC遺伝子については、原核生物では大腸菌 (*Escherichia coli*) 由来の遺伝子 [Nucleic Acids Res., 18, p4014, (1990)]、枯草菌 (*Bacillus subtilis*) 由来の遺伝子 [Swiss Prot Accession No. P40778]、インフルエンザ菌 (*Haemophilus influenzae*) 由来の遺伝子 [Science, 269, p496-512, (1995)] が単離され、その塩基配列が決定されている。

【0004】しかしながら、産業上重要なコリネ型細菌についてはmurC遺伝子に関する研究がなされておらず、報告例がない。一般に、遺伝子はその由来によって、宿主が異なれば発現の程度が異なるため、産業上有用なコリネ型細菌でのmurC遺伝子の単離が望まれている。

【0005】また、大腸菌における該酵素変異株 (murCts, ST222) では、正常な細胞壁を合成することができず、42℃の高温において溶菌してしまうことが知られている [J. Bacteriol., 112, p950-958, (1972)]。溶菌のしやすさは菌株により異なるため、細胞壁合成のメカニズムを解析し、より優れた菌体の開発のためにも、様々な性質を有する由来の異なるmurC遺伝子の単離も望まれている。

【0006】

【発明が解決しようとする課題】本発明は、コリネ型細菌内で発現可能な、新規murCタンパク質、それをコードする遺伝子、及び該遺伝子を含むDNA断片の提供を目的としてなされたものである。

【0007】

【課題を解決するための手段】本発明者らは、上記課題を解決すべく鋭意研究を重ねた結果、遺伝子組み換えの手法を駆使することにより、コリネ型細菌からmurCタンパク質及びmurC遺伝子が単離可能であることを見出し、本発明を完成するに至った。

【0008】すなわち、本発明は、コリネ型細菌の染色体DNAを制限酵素MluI及びEcoRVで処理して得られる、片端がMluIサイト、もう一端がEcoRVサイトであり、EcoRIサイトにより大きさが約1.2kb及び約0.7kbの断片に分割される大きさが約1.9kbのDNA断片を少なくとも含むDNA断片を提供する。好ましくは、コリネ型細菌はプレバクテリウム・フラバムMJ-233である。

【0009】本発明は、また、上記のDNA断片によってコードされるUDP-N-アセチルムラミン酸-アラニン リガーゼを提供する。このようなUDP-N-アセチルムラミン酸-アラニン リガーゼとして、具体的には、配列番号2記載のアミノ酸配列、または、配列番号2記載のアミノ酸配列において1若しくは数個のアミノ酸が欠失、置換、若しくは付加されたアミノ酸配列からなるUDP-N-アセチルムラミン酸-アラニン リガーゼが挙げられる。

【0010】本発明は、さらにまた、上記のUDP-N-アセチルムラミン酸-アラニンリガーゼをコードする遺伝子を提供する。このような遺伝子として、具体的には、配列番号1記載の塩基配列からなるDNA、または、配列番号1記載の塩基配列からなるDNAとストリンジェントな条件でハイブリダイズし、かつUDP-N-アセチルムラミン酸-アラニン リガーゼ活性を有するタンパク質をコードするDNAからなる遺伝子が挙げ

られる。

【0011】

【発明の実施の形態】本発明のmurC断片は、通常は、コリネ型細菌、例えばブレバクテリウム・フラバム (*Brevibacterium flavum*) MJ-233 (FERM BP-1497) 株等の染色体DNAをMluI、EcoRV等の制限酵素を用いて切断し、得られた断片の中から、制限酵素サイトと大きさに基づいて、あるいは、UDP-N-アセチルラムニン酸-アラニン リガーゼ活性に関する形質転換能に基づいて目的断片を選択することにより得られる。

【0012】具体的には、上記コリネ型細菌、例えばブレバクテリウム・フラバムMJ-233を常法〔例えば、特開昭51-130592号公報参照〕に従い培養し、培養物から菌体を集め、該菌体から染色体DNAを抽出する。染色体DNAは、例えば、特開平5-15378号公報の実施例1(A)に記載の方法等により菌体から容易に抽出することができる。

【0013】この染色体DNA断片を適当な制限酵素、例えばMluI及びEcoRVにより完全分解した後、適当なクローニングベクター、例えばpMW118 (宝酒造製) に連結しプラスミドバンクを作製する。

【0014】得られたプラスミドバンクを用いて、大腸菌murC変異株(ST222) [J. Bacteriol., 112, p950-958, (1972)] を形質転換し、42℃で生育可能な形質転換体を得る。この形質転換株を適当な抗生物質選択下で培養し、培養物から菌体を回収し、菌体から常法、例えばアルカリ-SDS法によりプラスミドを抽出し、抽出したプラスミドを適当な制限酵素により分解することにより、本発明のmurC断片を取得することができる。

【0015】本発明のmurC遺伝子は、本発明においてその塩基配列の一つが配列番号1で示されるように決定されたので、それに基づいて、“オリゴ1000M” DNA合成装置 (ベックマン社製) 等の市販のDNA合成装置を用いて合成することも可能であるが、コリネ型細菌、例えばブレバクテリウム・フラバム (*Brevibacterium flavum*) MJ-233 (FERM BP-1497) 株等の染色体DNAから上記に示した方法で得られるmurC断片から、以下に述べる方法でも取得することができる。

【0016】まず、上記で得られるmurC断片をSau3AIのような適当な制限酵素を用いて切り出し、得られたDNA断片を適当なクローニングベクター、例えば、pUC118 (宝酒造製) ヘサブクローニングし、エシエリヒア・コリJM109株 (宝酒造製) を形質転換する。この形質転換株を適当な抗生物質選択下で培養し、培養物から菌体を回収する。該菌体から、アルカリ-SDS法のような公知の方法によりプラスミドを抽出し、このプラスミドに導入されたDNA断片の塩基配列

を決定することにより、本発明のmurC遺伝子を含むDNA断片の塩基配列が決定される。このDNA断片の塩基配列決定法としては、例えば、ジデオキシヌクレオチド酵素法 [dideoxy chain termination法; Sanger F. et al., Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. U.S.A., 74, p.5463 (1977)] が挙げられる。このDNA断片の配列中に存在するオープンリーディングフレームから、murCタンパク質のアミノ酸配列が決定される。このようにして決定されたアミノ酸配列の例としては配列番号2記載のアミノ酸配列が挙げられ、またこれをコードする遺伝子は、例えば、配列番号1記載の塩基配列中の1番目から1458番目までの塩基配列で示されるものである。

【0017】murC遺伝子の塩基配列には、コリネ型細菌に含まれる種の間での相違や個体間で自然突然変異などにより生じ得る相違があることが予想されるが、このような相違の範囲内であれば、配列番号1に示す塩基配列の一部の塩基が他の塩基で置換されていてもよくまたは削除されていてもよく、あるいは新たに塩基が挿入されていてもよく、さらに塩基配列の一部が転位されているものであってもよく、これらも本発明のmurC遺伝子に包含されるものである。また、murCタンパク質のアミノ酸配列の一部は、生体内の他のタンパク質に関して知られているように、突然変異などによりタンパク質の機能を実質的に変えずに変化し得ると予想される。このような1または数個のアミノ酸の欠失、置換または付加による変化は、当業者であれば容易に判別できるものであり、従って、本発明のmurCタンパク質は、配列番号2のアミノ酸配列に相当する配列を有するものからなるものである。すなわち、配列番号2のアミノ酸配列と同一の配列をもつものだけでなく、コリネ型細菌に含まれる種の間での相違や個体間での自然突然変異などにより生じ得る相違を有するものも包含する。

【0018】また、上述のように染色体DNAから取得したmurC遺伝子の塩基配列に、murCタンパク質の機能を実質的に損なうことがない限り、PCRを用いた変異導入手法、NTGやヒドロキシルアミン等の変異剤を用いる等の方法で、murCタンパク質のアミノ酸配列に1または数個のアミノ酸の欠失、置換、付加を導入するような改変を導入することができる。得られた改変型のmurCタンパク質の活性の確認は、改変したmurC遺伝子を含むDNA断片を用いて大腸菌murC変異株(ST222) を形質転換し、この形質転換株が適当な抗生物質選択下で生育可能かどうか見ることで行うことができる。これらの手法により得られるタンパク質も、本発明におけるmurCタンパク質に含まれるものである。

【0019】また、本発明において、ストリンジェントな条件でハイブリダイズする遺伝子とは、一般に、配列番号1記載の塩基配列と70%以上、好ましくは80%以上の相同性を有する塩基配列をいう。これらの塩基配

列について、上記手法により、murCタンパク質活性の有無を確認できたものは、本発明におけるmurC遺伝子に含まれるものである。

【0020】なお、murCタンパク質は、常法に従い、murC遺伝子を適当な宿主で発現させ、発現させたmurCタンパク質を、常法に従って単離することによって得ることができる。

【0021】

【実施例】以下、実施例によりさらに具体的に説明するが、実施例は本発明の範囲を限定するものではない。

【0022】(A) プレバクテリウム・フラバムMJ-233の全DNAの抽出

プレバクテリウム・フラバムMJ-233 (FERM BP-1497) を、半合成培地であるA培地〔組成：尿素 2g、(NH₄)₂SO₄ 7g、K₂HPO₄

0.5g、KH₂PO₄ 0.5g、MgSO₄・7H₂O 0.5g、FeSO₄・7H₂O 6mg、MnSO₄・4~6H₂O 6mg、酵母エキス 2.5g、カザミノ酸 5g、ビオチン 200μg、塩酸チアミン 200μg、グルコース 20gを蒸留水に溶解して1リットルとする〕1リットル中で対数増殖期後期まで培養した後に菌体を回収した。

【0023】得られた菌体を、リゾチームを10mg/mlの濃度で含有する溶液〔組成：10mM NaCl、20mM トリス緩衝液 (pH8.0)、1mM EDTA・2Na〕15mlに懸濁した。該懸濁液にプロテナーゼKを100μg/mlの最終濃度で添加し、これを37℃で1時間インキュベートした。次に、ドデシル硫酸ナトリウムを最終濃度が0.5%になるように添加し、50℃で6時間インキュベートして溶菌させた。得られた溶菌液に等量のフェノール/クロロホルム溶液を添加して室温で10分間穏やかに振盪した後、その全量を10~12℃で20分間、5,000×gの遠心分離に供し、その上清画分を分取した。該上清画分中酢酸ナトリウムをその濃度が0.3Mとなるように添加し、次いで2倍量のエタノールを穏やかに添加した。水層とエタノール層の間に存在するDNAをガラス棒で撪め取り、これを70% エタノールで洗浄して風乾した。得られたDNAは、溶液〔組成：10mM トリス緩衝液 (pH7.5)、1mM EDTA・2Na〕5mlを加えて4℃で一晩静置した後、実験に供した。

【0024】(B) murC遺伝子を含む染色体DNA MluI断片の取得

上記実施例(A)で得られた染色体1μgを制限酵素MluIを用いて完全分解した後、末端をプラントエンド処理キット(宝酒造社製)を用いて平滑末端とした。

【0025】それぞれ最終濃度が、50mM トリス塩酸緩衝液 (pH7.9)、10mM MgCl₂、20mM ジチオスレイトール、1mM ATP、T4DNAリガーゼ 1unit/50μl、pUC118ベ

クターHincII分解脱リン酸化処理物(宝酒造製)

50ng/50μl、染色体MluI完全分解平滑末端処理物 250ng/50μlとなるように各成分を添加し、16℃で3時間反応させて、染色体MluI完全分解平滑末端処理物を結合させた。

【0026】ついで、常法〔J. Mol. Biol., 53, 159(1970)参照〕に従って、得られた溶液を用いて大腸菌murC変異株(ST222)を形質転換した。得られた形質転換菌を選択培地〔組成：トリプトン 10g、酵母エキス 5g、NaCl 5g、寒天 15g、アンピシリン 50mgを蒸留水に溶解して1リットルとする〕に塗抹し、42℃で16時間培養した。

【0027】選択培地上に生育した菌株を、アンピシリンを最終濃度で50μg/ml含有するL培養液〔トリプトン 10g、酵母エキス 5g、NaCl 5gを蒸留水に溶解して1リットルとする〕に植菌し、これを37℃で7時間培養した。培養液を4℃で10分間8,000×gの遠心分離にかけて菌体を回収した。回収した菌体からアルカリSDS法〔T. Maniatis, E.F. Fritsch, J. Sambrook, Molecular cloning, p.90-91(1982)参照〕によりプラスミドを抽出した。

【0028】抽出したプラスミドはいずれも、大きさ約2.0kbの断片を含んでいた。

【0029】(C) murC遺伝子を含む染色体DNA MluI断片のマップの作製

上記実施例(B)で得られたプラスミドDNAを制限酵素MluI, EcoRV, EcoRIでそれぞれ分解した。これらについて0.8%アガロースゲルにて電気泳動を行うことにより、murC断片を含む挿入DNA断片の大きさを決定した。

【0030】切断断片の大きさは、大腸菌のラムダファージ(λphage) DNAを制限酵素HindIIIで切断して得られる分子量既知のDNA断片の同一アガロースゲル上での泳動距離で描かれる標準線に基づき、算出した。

【0031】制限酵素EcoRVにより1.9kbと0.1kb、EcoRIにより1.2kbと0.8kbの大きさの断片が生じた。これに基づき、マップを作製すると図1のようになった。

【0032】(D) murC遺伝子を含む染色体DNA領域の特定

上記実施例(C)で作製したマップをもとに、上記断片中のmurC遺伝子を含む領域を上記大腸菌murC変異株を用いて特定した。

【0033】大きさが約2.0kbのMluI断片内に存在する、EcoRI、EcoRVサイトを利用して、種々の大きさをもつDNA断片をプラスミドpMW118またはpMW119(宝酒造製)に連結し、大腸菌murC変異株を形質転換し、42℃における生育を指標に、murC遺伝子の活性の有無を確認した。

【0034】その結果、大きさが約1.9 kbのMlu I-EcoRV断片が挿入された場合にのみ、大腸菌murC変異株の42℃における生育を相補することができ、murC遺伝子は、大きさが約1.9 kbのMlu I-EcoRVサイトの間に存在するものと考えられた(図2参照)。

【0035】(E) murC遺伝子の全塩基配列の決定大きさが約1.9 kbのMlu I-EcoRV断片を制限酵素SauAIを用いて37℃で処理して部分分解した。また、pUC118ベクター(宝酒造製)を制限酵素BamHIで完全に分解した。得られたベクターDNA断片と部分分解DNA断片とを混合し、この混合液に、それぞれ最終濃度が、50mM トリス-塩酸緩衝液(pH7.9), 10mM MgCl₂, 20mM ジチオスレイトール, 1mM ATP, T4DNAリガーゼ 1 unit/50μlとなるように各成分を添加し、ベクターDNA断片と部分分解DNA断片とを結合させた。

【0036】同様に大きさが約1.9 kbのMlu I-EcoRV断片を制限酵素TacIを用いて37℃で処理して部分分解した。また、pUC118ベクター(宝酒造製)を制限酵素AccIで完全に分解した。得られたベクターDNA断片と部分分解DNA断片とを混合し、この混合液に、それぞれ最終濃度が、50mM トリス-塩酸緩衝液(pH7.9), 10mM MgCl₂, 20mM ジチオスレイトール, 1mM ATP, T4DNAリガーゼ 1 unit/50μlとなるように各成分を添加し、ベクターDNA断片と部分分解DNA断片とを結合させた。

【0037】について、常法[J. Mol. Biol., 53, 159(1970)参照]に従って、得られた溶液を各々用いて大腸菌JM109(宝酒造製)を形質転換した。得られた形質転換菌を選択培地[組成: トリプトン 10g, 酵母エキス 5g, NaCl 5g, 寒天 15g, アンピシリン50mgを蒸留水に溶解して1リットルとする]に塗抹し、42℃で16時間培養した。

【0038】選択培地上に生育した菌株を、アンピシリンを最終濃度で50μg/ml含有するL培養液[トリプトン 10g, 酵母エキス 5g, NaCl 5gを蒸留水に溶解して1リットルとする]に植菌し、これを37℃で7時間培養した。培養液を4℃で10分間8,000×gの遠心分離にかけて菌体を回収した。回収した菌体からアルカリ-SDS法[T. Maniatis, E.F. Fritsch

*h, J. Sambrook, Molecular cloning, p.90-91(1982)参照]によりプラスミドを抽出した。

【0039】抽出したプラスミドDNAを用いて、ベクターpUC118に挿入されたDNA断片の塩基配列を決定した。pUC118に挿入されたDNA断片の塩基配列の決定には、パーキン・エルマー社製のダイプライマーサイクルシーケンスキットを用いて行った。そして、これらの個々の配列の連結を、パーキン・エルマー社製のシーケンス解析ソフトウェアオートアッセンブラー(Auto assembler)を用いて行った。その結果、上記1.9 kbのMlu I-EcoRVのDNA断片には、既知の大腸菌のmurCタンパク質と相同性(37%)を持つタンパク質をコードする遺伝子(配列番号1に記載するオープン・リーディング・フレーム)を含有していることが判明した。即ち、得られたDNA断片にコードされるタンパク質のアミノ酸一次構造(配列番号2)と既知の大腸菌のmurCタンパク質のアミノ酸一次構造との相同性の比較によっても、上記1.9 kbのMlu I-EcoRVのDNA断片がブレバクテリウム・フラバムMJ-233のmurC遺伝子を含んでいることが支持された。

【0040】

【発明の効果】本発明により提供されるmurCタンパク質、murC遺伝子および該遺伝子を含むDNA断片を用いて、細胞壁合成機構を解析することにより、人為的細胞複製制御、耐溶菌株育種、人為的溶菌による自殺ビークルの開発が可能となる。

【0041】

【配列表】配列番号: 1

配列の長さ: 1458

配列の型: 核酸

鎖の数: 二本鎖

トポロジー: 直鎖状

配列の種類: Genomic DNA

起源:

生物名: ブレバクテリウム・フラバム (Brevibacterium flavum)

株名: MJ-233

配列の特徴:

特徴を表す記号: CDS

存在位置: 1..1458

特徴を決定した方法: E

配列

GTG ACC ACT CCA CAC TTG GAT TCT GCA CAA GAT ATT GAT CTG TCC CGC	48
Val Thr Thr Pro His Leu Asp Ser Ala Gln Asp Ile Asp Leu Ser Arg	
1 5 10 15	
GTC CAC CTC ATC GGT ATT GGC GGA GCC GGA ATG TCT GGC GTT GCC CGA	96
Val His Leu Ile Gly Ile Gly Gly Ala Gly Met Ser Gly Val Ala Arg	
20 25 30	

9	ATC CTG CTT GCC CGC GGT AAG ACA GTC ACT GGT TCC GAT GCC AAA GAT	144
	Ile Leu Leu Ala Arg Gly Lys Thr Val Thr Gly Ser Asp Ala Lys Asp	
	35 40 45	
	TCC CGC ACC TTG CTT CCA CTC CGC GCC GTG GGA GCC ACC ATC GCA GTG	192
	Ser Arg Thr Leu Leu Pro Leu Arg Ala Val Gly Ala Thr Ile Ala Val	
	50 55 60	
	GGA CAC GCC GCG GAA AAC CTT GAG CTT TCC GGC GAA CTT CCC ACC GTC	240
	Gly His Ala Ala Glu Asn Leu Glu Leu Ser Gly Glu Leu Pro Thr Val	
	65 70 75 80	
	GTG GTG ACC TCT TTT GCC GCC ATT CCG CAA GAC AAC CCG GAA CTT GTT	288
	Val Val Thr Ser Phe Ala Ala Ile Pro Gln Asp Asn Pro Glu Leu Val	
	85 90 95	
	CGT GCA CGT GAA GAA GGC ATT CCG GTT ATT CGT CGC TCC GAT CTG TTG	336
	Arg Ala Arg Glu Glu Gly Ile Pro Val Ile Arg Arg Ser Asp Leu Leu	
	100 105 110	
	GGC GAA TTG CTG GAA GGC TCC ACC CAG GTC TTG ATC GCG GGT ACC CAC	384
	Gly Glu Leu Leu Glu Gly Ser Thr Gln Val Leu Ile Ala Gly Thr His	
	115 120 125	
	GGT AAG ACC TCC ACC ACC TCT ATG TCT GTG GTA GCT ATG CAG GCA GCG	432
	Gly Lys Thr Ser Thr Thr Ser Met Ser Val Val Ala Met Gln Ala Ala	
	130 135 140	
	GGC ATG GAT CCA AGC TTT GCT ATC GGC GGA CAG CTC AAC AAG GCT GGC	480
	Gly Met Asp Pro Ser Phe Ala Ile Gly Gly Gln Leu Asn Lys Ala Gly	
	145 150 155 160	
	ACC AAT GCG CAC CAT GGA ACT GGT GAG GTC TTT ATC GCT GAA GCA GAT	528
	Thr Asn Ala His His Gly Thr Gly Glu Val Phe Ile Ala Glu Ala Asp	
	165 170 175	
	GAA TCT GAC GCA TCG CTG CTG CGC TAC AAG CCA AAT GTT GCA GTG GTC	576
	Glu Ser Asp Ala Ser Leu Leu Arg Tyr Lys Pro Asn Val Ala Val Val	
	180 185 190	
	ACC AAT GTG GAA CCA GAC CAC CTG GAC TTC TTT AAA ACC CCT GAA GCC	624
	Thr Asn Val Glu Pro Asp His Leu Asp Phe Phe Lys Thr Pro Glu Ala	
	195 200 205	
	TAC TTC CAA GTG TTC GAC GAT TTC GCA GGA CGC ATC ACC CCG AAC GGC	672
	Tyr Phe Gln Val Phe Asp Asp Phe Ala Gly Arg Ile Thr Pro Asn Gly	
	210 215 220	
	AAG CTG GTT GTG TGC CTG AAC GAT CCT CAC GCA GCG GAG CTG GGG GAG	720
	Lys Leu Val Val Cys Leu Asn Asp Pro His Ala Ala Glu Leu Gly Glu	
	225 230 235 240	
	AGG TCT GTC CGC AAG GGT ATC AAG ACT GTT GGT TAT GGT ACC GCT GAC	768
	Arg Ser Val Arg Lys Gly Ile Lys Thr Val Gly Tyr Gly Thr Ala Asp	
	245 250 255	
	GCA GTA CAG GCA CAC CCT GAG GTT CCA GCG ATG GCT ACC ATC GTG GAT	816
	Ala Val Gln Ala His Pro Glu Val Pro Ala Met Ala Thr Ile Val Asp	
	260 265 270	
	TCC CAA GTT GTC GCA GAA GGC ACC CGC GCC ACC ATC AAC ATC GAT GGA	864
	Ser Gln Val Val Ala Glu Gly Thr Arg Ala Thr Ile Asn Ile Asp Gly	
	275 280 285	
	CAG GAA GTA TCT GTG ATT CTT CAA ATC CCT GGT GAT CAC ATG GTA CTC	912
	Gln Glu Val Ser Val Ile Leu Gln Ile Pro Gly Asp His Met Val Leu	

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290	295	300	
AAC GGT GCA GCC GCC CTG CTG GCC GGA TAC CTG GTG GGT GGG GAC GTC			960
Asn Gly Ala Ala Ala Leu Leu Ala Gly Tyr Leu Val Gly Gly Asp Val			
305	310	315	320
GAC AAG CTT GTT GAA GGC TTG TCG GAT TTC TCC GGC GTG CGA CGC CGC			1008
Asp Lys Leu Val Glu Gly Leu Ser Asp Phe Ser Gly Val Arg Arg Arg			
325	330	335	
TTT GAG TTC CAC GGT GCT ATC GAG GGC GGC AAA TTT AAT GGC GCG GCT			1056
Phe Glu Phe His Gly Ala Ile Glu Gly Gly Lys Phe Asn Gly Ala Ala			
340	345	350	
ATT TAT GAT GAT TAC GCA CAC CAC CCA ACG GAA GTA ACT GCA GTG CTC			1104
Ile Tyr Asp Asp Tyr Ala His His Pro Thr Glu Val Thr Ala Val Leu			
355	360	365	
AGC GCT GCG CGC ACC CGG GTG AAG GCC GCT GGA AAG GGC CGT GTC ATC			1152
Ser Ala Ala Arg Thr Arg Val Lys Ala Ala Gly Lys Gly Arg Val Ile			
370	375	380	
GTC GCG TTC CAA CCA CAT TTG TAC TCA CGC ACC ATG GAA TTC CAA AAG			1200
Val Ala Phe Gln Pro His Leu Tyr Ser Arg Thr Met Glu Phe Gln Lys			
385	390	395	400
GAG TTC GCG GAG GCA CTG TCA CTG GCA GAC GCT GCC GTG GTG CTC GAG			1248
Glu Phe Ala Glu Ala Leu Ser Leu Ala Asp Ala Ala Val Val Leu Glu			
405	410	415	
ATT TAC GGA GCG CGC GAA CAA CCG GTG GAT GGC GTG TCC TCG GAA ATC			1296
Ile Tyr Gly Ala Arg Glu Gln Pro Val Asp Gly Val Ser Ser Glu Ile			
420	425	430	
ATC ACC GAT GCG ATG ACC ATT CCA GTG GTG TAC GAA CCT AAT TTC TCT			1344
Ile Thr Asp Ala Met Thr Ile Pro Val Val Tyr Glu Pro Asn Phe Ser			
435	440	445	
GCA GTC CCA GAA CGC ATT GCA GAA ATC GCA GGA CCT AAT GAC ATC GTG			1392
Ala Val Pro Glu Arg Ile Ala Glu Ile Ala Gly Pro Asn Asp Ile Val			
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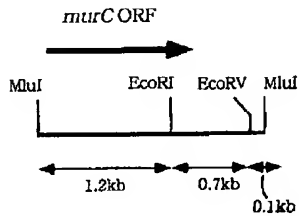
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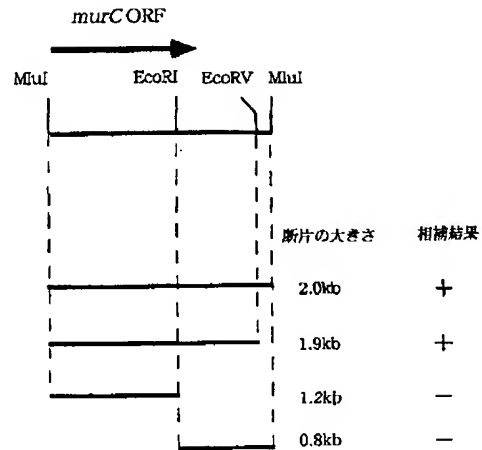
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【図1】



【図2】



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Basic Abstract Text (1) :

New isolated polypeptide (I) is: (a) is at least 70% identical to sequences (2) of 437 amino acids (fully defined in the specification) and (4) of 215 aa sequence (also fully defined) reproduced over the entire length; (b) or comprises sequences (2) or (4); or (c) encoded by recombinant nucleic acids of 1351 (1) or 660 (3) bp (also fully defined), reproduced. Also claimed are: (A) isolated nucleic acid (II) that: (i) encodes (I); (ii) is at at least 70% identical with (1) or (3) or other sequences encoding (2) and (4), over the entire length; (iii) is or comprises sequences (1) or (3); (iv) is obtained by screening a library with (1), (3) or their fragments (stringent conditions); (v) encodes the mature polypeptide expressed by the MurC gene of *Staphylococcus aureus*; or (vi) is complementary to any any of (i)-(v); (B) antibody (Ab) directed against (I); (C) agonist or antagonist (III) of the activity or expression of (I); (D) expression system for producing (I); (E) host cell, or derived membranes, containing this expression system; (F) computer-readable medium having sequence data for (I) and (II) stored on it.

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May 11, 2004

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6734013 B2

TITLE: Use of multivalent chimeric peptide-loaded, MHC/Ig molecules to detect, activate or suppress antigen-specific T cell-dependent immune responses

Detailed Description Text (9):

Expression vectors of the invention can be introduced into host cells using any technique known in the art. These techniques include transferrin-polycation-mediated DNA transfer, transfection with naked or encapsulated nucleic acids, liposome-mediated cellular fusion, intracellular transportation of DNA-coated latex beads, protoplast fusion, viral infection, electroporation, and calcium phosphate-mediated transfection.

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File: USPT

Apr 6, 2004

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6716813 B2

TITLE: Use of antimicrobial proteins and peptides for the treatment of otitis media and paranasal sinusitis

Detailed Description Text (38):

It can be envisioned that one method of administering the lysozyme, lactoferrin, alpha defensins, and beta defensins uses expression vectors which express these proteins. The expression vectors may be targeted to the tissue or cell which is infected or which is near the infected cells. The vectors may be any vectors known to one of skill in the art including but not limited to: viral vectors, plasmid vectors, and naked DNA. Expression from these vectors may be constitutive or may be under the control of a specific promoter, such as a eukaryotic promoter, or an inducible promoter.

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File: USPT

Oct 21, 2003

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6635249 B1

TITLE: Methods for treating congestive heart failure

Detailed Description Text (16):

The expression vector may be administered as naked DNA mixed with or conjugated to an agent to enhance the entry of the DNA into cells, e.g., a cationic lipid such as Lipofectin.TM., Lipofectamine.TM. (Gibco/BRL, Bethesda, Md.), DOTAP.TM. (Boehringer-Mannheim, Indianapolis, Ind.) or analogous compounds, liposomes, or an antibody that targets the DNA to a particular type of cell, e.g., a cardiomyocyte or an endothelial cell. The method of administration may be any of those described in the Therapy section above. In particular, DNA for somatic gene therapy has been successfully delivered to the heart by intravenous injection, cardiac perfusion, and direct injection into the myocardium (e.g., see Losordo et al., Circulation 98:2800-2804, 1998; Lin et al., Hypertension 33:219-224, 1999; Labhasetwar et al., J. Pharm. Sci. 87:1347-1350, 1998; Yayama et al., Hypertension 31:1104-1110, 1998). The therapeutic DNA is administered such that it enters the patient's cells and is expressed, and the vector-encoded therapeutic polypeptide binds to and activates cardiomyocyte ErbB receptors.

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File: USPT

Jul 29, 2003

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6599692 B1

TITLE: Functional genomics using zinc finger proteins

Detailed Description Text (30):

"Administering" an expression vector, nucleic acid, zinc finger protein, or a delivery vehicle to a cell comprises transducing, transfecting, electroporating, tanslocating, fusing, phagocytosing, or biolistic methods, etc., i.e., any means by which a protein or nucleic acid can be transported across a cell membrane and preferably into the nucleus of a cell, including administration of naked DNA.

Detailed Description Text (45):

An "expression vector" is a nucleic acid construct, generated recombinantly or synthetically, with a series of specified nucleic acid elements that permit transcription of a particular nucleic acid in a host cell, and optionally, integration or replication of the expression vector in a host cell. The expression vector can be part of a plasmid, virus, or nucleic acid fragment, of viral or non-viral origin. Typically, the expression vector includes an "expression cassette," which comprises a nucleic acid to be transcribed operably linked to a promoter. The term expression vector also encompasses naked DNA operably linked to a promoter.

Detailed Description Text (118):

Expression vectors can be delivered in vivo by administration to an individual subject, typically by systemic administration (e.g., intravenous, intraperitoneal, intramuscular, subdermal, or intracranial infusion) or topical application, as described below. Alternatively, naked DNA can be administered. Alternatively, vectors can be delivered to cells ex vivo, such as cells explanted from an individual subject (e.g., lymphocytes, bone marrow aspirates, tissue biopsy) or universal donor hematopoietic stem cells, followed by reimplantation of the cells into a patient, usually after selection for cells which have incorporated the vector.

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Helicobacter pylori.";
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Comments

- **FUNCTION:** Cell wall formation (*By similarity*).
- **CATALYTIC ACTIVITY:** ATP + UDP-N-acetylmuramate + L-alanine = ADP + phosphate + UDP-N-acetylmuramoyl-L-alanine.
- **PATHWAY:** Peptidoglycan biosynthesis.

- **SUBCELLULAR LOCATION:** Cytoplasmic (*Probable*).
- **SIMILARITY:** Belongs to the murCDEF family.

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Peptidoglycan synthesis; Cell wall; Cell division; Ligase; ATP-binding; Complete proteome.

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TITLE: Nucleic acid and amino acid sequences relating to Helicobacter pylori for diagnostics and therapeutics

CLAIMS:

182. An isolated nucleic acid comprising a nucleotide sequence encoding an H. pylori pylori murC polypeptide or a fragment thereof, said nucleic acid comprising the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2845.

188. A purified H. pylori murC polypeptide or a fragment thereof, wherein said polypeptide comprises the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 7607.

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ABSTRACT:

Recombinant or substantially pure preparations of *H. pylori* polypeptides are described. The nucleic acids encoding the polypeptides also are described. The *H. pylori* polypeptides are useful for diagnostics and vaccine compositions.

RELATED APPLICATIONS

[0001] The contents, including the Sequence Listings and Figures, of each of the following related applications listed by serial number and filing date is incorporated herein by reference.

[0002] This application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Ser. No. 08/821,931, filed Mar. 21, 1997, which is a continuation of U.S. Ser. No. 08/761,184, filed Dec. 6, 1996 now abandoned, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Ser. No. 08/759,739, filed Dec. 6, 1996, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Ser. No. 08/736,791, filed Oct. 25, 1996, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Ser. No. 08/739,150, filed Oct. 28, 1996, which is a continuation-in-part of 08/660,742, filed Jun. 6, 1996, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Ser. No. 08/630,405, filed Apr. 1, 1996, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Ser. No. 08/561,469, filed Nov. 17, 1995, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Ser. No. 08/487,032, filed Jun. 7, 1995. This application also claims priority to PCT application PCT/US97/19575, filed Oct. 28, 1997, and PCT application PCT/US96/18542, filed Nov. 15, 1996. This application is also a continuation-in-part of U.S. Ser. No. 08/625,431 filed Mar. 26, 1996 which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Ser. No. 08/621,425, filed Mar. 25, 1996, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Ser. No. 08/561,469, filed Nov. 17, 1995, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Ser. No. 08/487,032, filed Jun. 7, 1995. This application is also a continuation-in-part of U.S. Ser. No. 08/824,132, filed Mar. 27, 1997, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Ser. No. 08/761,318, filed Dec. 6, 1996, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Ser. No. 08/738,859, filed Oct. 28, 1996 now abandoned, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Ser. No. 08/625,811, filed Mar. 29, 1996. This application is also a continuation-in-part of U.S. Ser. No. 08/769,224, filed Dec. 6, 1996, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Ser. No. 08/736,905, filed Oct. 25, 1996 now abandoned, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Ser. No. 08/758,731, filed Apr. 2, 1996. This application is also a continuation-in-part of U.S. Ser. No. 08/823,745, filed Mar. 25, 1997, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Ser. No. 08/759,625, filed Dec. 5, 1996. This application also claims priority to a PCT application, number not yet available, filed Dec. 5, 1997, (Atty. Docket No. GTN-011CP2PC). This application is also a continuation-in-part of U.S. Ser. No. 08/761,066, filed Dec. 5, 1996. This application is also a continuation-in-part of U.S. Ser. No. 08/891,928, filed Jul. 14, 1997. This application is also a continuation-in-part of U.S. Ser. No. 08/892,020, filed Jul. 14, 1997.

[0003] It should be understood that all of the Sequence Listings and Figures of all of the aforementioned applications are considered to be part of the contents which are incorporated by reference herein. For example, FIG. 1 (pages 1-1199), which contains *H. pylori* genomic DNA, of U.S. Ser. No. 08/621,425, filed Mar. 25, 1996 is incorporated herein by reference. FIG. 1 (pages 1-1199), which contains *H. pylori* genomic DNA, and FIGS. 2-809 and FIG. 810 (pages 908-2700), which contain *H. pylori*

amino acid sequences, of U.S. Ser. No. 08/625,431, filed Mar. 26, 1996 also are incorporated herein by reference.



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